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**UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION
UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)**

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of:

INVENTOR: Hideki KUWAJIMA
FOR: SHOCK-ABSORBING MEMBER, SHOCK-ABSORBING METHOD OF
ELECTRONIC DEVICE EMPLOYING THE MEMBER, AND ELECTRONIC
DEVICE ADAPTING THE MEMBER AND THE METHOD

Enclosed are:

- ☒ 29 pages of specification, claims, abstract.
- ☒ Declaration and Power of Attorney.
- ☒ Priority Claimed.
- ☒ Certified copy of Japanese Patent Application No. 2003-094953
- ☒ 10 sheets of formal drawing.
- ☒ An assignment of the invention to Matsushita Electric Industrial Co., Ltd.
and the assignment recordation fee.
- ☐ An associate power of attorney.
- ☐ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 37 CFR 1.27.
- ☒ Information Disclosure Statement, Form PTO-1449 and references.
- ☒ Return Receipt Postcard
- ☒ Preliminary Amendment

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|-----------------------------|------------------|-----|-----------------|---------|----------|
| Total Claims | 23 | -20 | 3 | \$18.00 | \$54.00 |
| Independent Claims | 3 | -3 | 0 | \$86.00 | \$0.00 |
| Multiple Dependent Claim(s) | | | | | \$0.00 |
| Basic Fee | | | | | \$770.00 |
| Total of Above Calculations | | | | | \$824.00 |
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Respectfully submitted,

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